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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: Y. MITSUUCHI, et al., Oncogene. (1999), Vol. 18, No. 35, p. 4891-4898

Document 2: JP 2003-88388 A (Helix Research Institute) March 25, 2003 & EP 1293569 A2 & US

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Document 3: US 2003/0181366 A1 (V. L. GIRANDA) September 25, 2003 (Family: none)

[Claims 1-9]

The inventions of claims 1-9 involve an inventive step with respect to documents 1-3 cited in the international search report.

Document 1 describes the AKT2 binding protein APPL obtained by yeast two-hybrid screening and it shows that the amino acid sequence of APPL and APPL bind to the inactive form of AKT2.

Document 2 describes an amino acid sequence that has 68% homology with the polypeptide identified as SEQ ID NO: 2 of this application, and 88% homology with the polypeptide identified as SEQ ID NO: 4 of this application (see SEQ ID NO: 2366).

Document 3 describes a peptide that preferably binds with the Akt1 substrate binding site and inhibits the function of Akt.

On the other hand, the applicants disclose an Akt2 binding polypeptide having an amino acid sequence that differs from those of the proteins, polypeptides, and peptides described in documents 1-3, and they discovered that this polypeptide brings about insulin resistance by interacting with Akt2 to reduce the enzymatic activity of Akt2. Because the findings by the applicants are ones that could not be predicted from prior art documents, persons skilled in the art cannot easily conceive of the inventions of claims 1-9.

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